



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: Engel et al.

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OF NUCLEIC ACIDS

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**Mail Stop Amendment**

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.111, this paper is filed in response to the Office Action issued August 9, 2006. An extension of three months under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) is requested, and the appropriate fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(3) is enclosed, making the new response date, Friday, February 9, 2007.

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